

What is claimed is:

[Claim 1] I claim that I have invented the concept of a web browser system that controls what sites to which the user may have access. There are many browsers available, most of which are free, and all of which allow the user to access virtually every one of the millions of web sites on the Internet. There is a need to keep certain people from accessing inappropriate web sites, for example, to make online educational programs available to prison inmates. However, prison administrators fear the inmates may abuse their privileges and visit inappropriate sites. All attempts to control web access have tried, unsuccessfully, to control the sites one cannot visit. Given the millions of existing web sites, this is doomed to failure. This system instead controls the sites one can visit. Allowing the visitation of a select set of sites is much easier and guarantees success. They may visit only the sites the system has for them in its database. An individualized list of sites each person may visit is stored in the online database, so it's easy to manage what they may visit. The organization's administrator may use any web browser to access the database to manage the organization's users via a secure connection to the Internet.